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## Amendments to the Specification:

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Please replace the section entitled "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" with the following replacement section:

## CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of the following U.S. Provisional Applications, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference, and the content of which are not necessarily identical to the content of this application:

U.S. PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATIONS						
Atty. Dkt. #	Serial Number	Title	Filing Date			
501143.000005	60/288,015	Method and Apparatus for Shotgun  Multiplication and Exponentiation	May 2, 2001			
501143.000010	60/300,957	Method and Residue Calculation Using Casting Out	June 26, 2001			
501143.000011	60/300,955	Add-Drop Layer 3 Ethernet Ring Switch	June 26, 2001			
501431.000014	60/326,266	Application Specific Information Processing System	October 1, 2001			
501143.000015	60/326,252	Efficient Use of DRAM-Based Devices For Small Discontiguous Memory Accesses	October 1, 2001			
501143.000016	60/326,251	Exponentiation Engine	October 1, 2001			
501143.000017	60/326,250	Method for Squaring	October 1, 2001			

The current application shares some specification and figures with the following commonly owned and concurrently filed application, which is applications, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference:

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	COMMONLY	OWNED AND CONCURRENTLY FILED	
	U.S. NONPR	OVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATIONS	
Atty. Dkt. #	Serial Number	Title	Filing Date
501143.000021	10/078,253	Controller Architecture and Strategy For	February 16, 2002
		Small Discontiguous Accesses to High-	Not Assigned
:		Density Memory Devices	

The current application is a continuation-in-part of shares some specification and figures with the following commonly owned and previously filed applications, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference, and the benefit of 35 U.S.C. § 120 is claimed for these applications:

COMMONLY OWNED AND PREVIOUSLY FILED U.S. NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATIONS						
Atty. Dkt. #	Serial Number	Title	Filing Date			
501143.000008	10/068,294	Ring Arithmetic Method, System, and	February 5, 2002			
	Not Assigned	Apparatus				
501143.000019	10/068,295 Not Assigned	Application-Specific Information- Processing Method, System, and Apparatus	February 5, 2002			

The benefit of 35 U.S.C. § 120 is claimed for all of the above referenced commonly owned applications. The contents of the applications referenced in the tables above are not necessarily identical to the contents of this application.

All references cited hereafter are incorporated by reference to the maximum extent allowable by law. To the extent a reference may not be fully incorporated herein, it is incorporated by reference by background purposes and indicative of the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art.